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In reply to: Status Letter dated 08/18/04 for S/N 09/635109. Please see attached information. Please call me if you have any questions.

Thanks Wynette

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Case No.: 14998-230

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Applicant : Aikawa, et. al.
Serial No. : 09/635,109
Filed : August 9, 2000
Title : "OPTICAL FIBER AND OPTICAL TRANSMISSION SYSTEM"
Group : 2874
Examiner : Mike Stahl

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STATUS LETTER

Dear Sir:

The above-referenced application was filed on August 9, 2000. On December 4, 2001, a response was filed to a three month office action of September 5, 2001 as issued by the US Patent Office. On November 20, 2002 an IDS was filed and a supplemental IDS was submitted on October 29, 2004. To date, no further communication from your office concerning this application has been received.

Please advise us of the status of this application and if further documentation is need to the above patent application.

Respectfully Submitted,

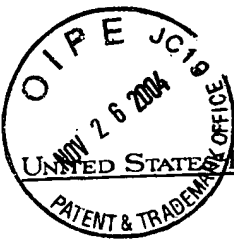
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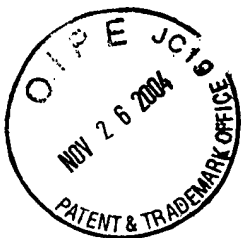
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NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT

This application is abandoned in view of:

- ☐ Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on _____.
- ☐ A reply (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission of _____) was received on _____, which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of _____ month(s)) which expired on _____.
- ☐ A proposed reply was received on _____, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to the final rejection.
(A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114).
- ☐ No reply has been received.
- ☒ Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
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- ☐ The submitted fee of \$ _____ is insufficient. A balance of \$ _____ is due.
The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$ _____. The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d), is \$ _____.
- ☒ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received.
- ☐ Applicant's failure to timely file new formal drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37).
- ☐ Proposed new formal drawings were received on _____ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated _____), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.
- ☐ The proposed new formal drawings filed on _____ are not acceptable and the period for reply has expired.
- ☐ No proposed new formal drawings have been received.
- ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire interest, or all of the applicants.
- ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon the filing of a continuing application.
- ☐ The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences rendered on _____ and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.
- ☐ The reason(s) below:

ABANDONMENT

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